

## LEGAL LORE.

**What was Done in the Different Courts Saturday.**

**THE HUME ESTATE SUIT.**  
On Saturday, in the equity court, before Judge Hagner, the hearing of the suits of R. Ross Perry and Reginald Pendall, administrators of the estate of the late Thomas L. Hume, against the Life Insurance company of Virginia and four other life insurance companies, was commenced. The administrators bring suit to recover some \$35,000, the amount Mr. Hume insured his life for the benefit of his wife, the sum to be used for the benefit of the deceased's estate. A mass of testimony has been taken, and the suit promises to last some days.

## THE COLOR LINE IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The rule to show cause on the writ of mandamus applied for by Prof. Gregory on the board of trustees of the public schools, was returnable Saturday before Justice MacArthur. This will be remembered, is to write to compel the trustees to admit the relator's child (deceased) to the Present school. Messrs. Jeff Chandler and Shubert, Wilson and Parker, and Mr. Parker, attorney for the respondents, who stated to the court that the trustees had held no meeting since the rule was issued, and that he had only had the papers relating to the case in his hands for a few days. He asked that the time for answer be extended to January 2, which was accordingly done.

## THE LOTTERY COMPANY AGAINST MAJOR MORGAN.

In the circuit court Saturday the case of the Louisiana state lottery company against Thomas P. Morgan, one of the commissioners of the District of Columbia, came up before Judge MacArthur on a demurrer. The plaintiff brings suit for \$7,000 damages by reason of the loss of money paid to the company's office here last August. The defendant filed a demurrer to the declaration claiming that the plaintiff, under the law in force, has no right to establish an office here, and that the acts and things done by the plaintiff here are forbidden by the laws. At the instance of counsel the case was certified to the general term, to be heard there in the first instance. Mr. Jeff Chandler represents the plaintiff and Mr. Ridge the defendant.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

On Saturday, on motion of Emma V. Dutson, one of the trustees and heir of the estate of Thomas Lewis, Dr. Hagner issued an order on Samuel E. Lewis, the administrator, to bring into court the funds remaining in his hands, amounting to about \$2,000.

A bill in equity has been filed by Hamilton J. Rothrock against John C. Parker to restrain him from infringement of a copyright.

## THE RECORD.

*Circuit Court—Justice MacArthur.—McCullough vs. Gifford; seal verdict for defendant \$100. Held that the seal granted to the special corporation, United States ex rel. Gregory, Birney et al., time to answer extended to January 2. United States ex rel. Asst. Atty. Gen. and others vs. Newell, et al.; seal of demurrer granted. Newell vs. Bebrand; demurrer overruled. United States vs. Howgate; demurrer sustained and appeal denied. Lyon vs. Hill; demurrer overruled.*

*Ecclesiastical Court—Justice Hagner.—Parker vs. Parker; testimony ordered taken before Irving Williamson examiner. Perry et al. vs. Life Insurance company of Virginia; trial.*

## THE DASHAWAY CLUB.

**Meeting at Masonic Temple—Addresses by B. H. Warner and Others.**

The Dashaway Reform club held their meeting at Masonic temple last night, and the hall was crowded, as it was understood that Messrs. R. Ross Perry and B. H. Warner would deliver addresses. A letter, however, was received from Mr. Perry stating that it being the anniversary of his little daughter's death he had not yet spoken.

The meeting was opened by Mr. Thompson, treasurer of the club, the position of the club, Mr. Nye, being absent, having been requested to address the temperance meeting at Foundry M. E. church. After prayer by the Rev. Mr. Burkhardt, Mr. L. E. Thompson was introduced and made an earnest appeal to young men to shun the intoxicating cup. He was followed by J. W. Thompson, after which Mr. B. H. Warner was introduced and made an appropriate nodding.

He showed that instead of the liquor traffic being a source of revenue to the city it was an expense, the revenue received being only \$62, while the cost of keeping them up was over \$300 each.

Among the statistics which he presented he showed that there were last year in this District 457 wholesale liquor establishments and 539 retail ones; that the income from the former was \$10,823,10, and from the latter \$3,100,000, the total amount of liquor sold over 405 of these proprietors a personal tax was received amounting to \$8,284,80; that he entire sum which they paid into the District was \$62,390,38.

Charley Nye, having appeared, made an earnest appeal for signs to the total abstinence pledge, which was responded to by a large number.

## Mr. Royal Parkinson's Funeral.

The funeral of the late Mr. Royal Parkinson, a clerk in the pension office, who died suddenly last Thursday, took place yesterday afternoon from his residence, 1422 N street northwest, where the remains were viewed for the last time by a countless number of friends and acquaintances. The casket, furnished by W. R. Speare, who conducted the funeral arrangements, was of walnut, covered with black cloth, with oxidized extension bar handles, a plate of the same material on the lid, engraved simply with the name of "Royal Parkinson." The interior was lined with quilted silk, and the head of deceased repose in a cushion of white satin. The services at the house consisted of prayers by Rev. Dr. Butler, after which the cortège proceeded to the New York Avenue Presbyterian church, where both Rev. Dr. Bartlett, the pastor, and Rev. Dr. Chickering of the Columbian Institute, conducted the services. The casket was then removed to the Baltimore and Potomac depot, where it was placed in an hermetically sealed zinc case, which was enclosed in an outer case of cedar, brass bound, and lined with white satin, and sent to the home of the deceased, in Brooklyn, N. Y. Mr. Parkinson was at one time an electrician, and was a man of brilliant intellectual and educational accomplishments. He sent none of his children to school, but educated them himself, and has left with his family an enviable record of a useful and well spent life.

## A Sunday School's Christmas.

The Christmas celebration of the Sunday school of the First Presbyterian church on Four-and-a-half street was held on Saturday night. The attendance was large, and the exercises which consisted of Scripture reading, recitations and singing were highly interesting. The regular weekly service of the Sunday school three of the Missions included in the school of this church also participated.

Mr. H. J. Frost, superintendent of the Mission school had written a Christmas hymn, which was sung by the united schools. Instead of the usual cedar or pine Christmas tree, a novel feature was presented in the shape of a tree formed of gas pipe covered with burning jets, but which was most artistically draped with evergreen. In the distribution of the gifts all the little ones were remembered, and the entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

## Important Change of Schedule.

Attention is drawn to an important change in the schedule of the Chesapeake & Ohio railway, by which on and after December 24 the Louisville and Cincinnati special will leave Washington at 4:30 p. m., instead of 5:30 p. m., as heretofore. This train arrives at Louisville six hours earlier than any other route.

This change is a most advantageous one in leaving the city, as well as in shortening the time to Louisville and Cincinnati. The entire train of baggage, car coaches, and Pullman sleeper cars through sold to Louisville, therefore no intermediate stops will be made.

A day coach of this train runs from Washington to Cincinnati, connecting closely with the trains for Chicago, St. Louis, Indianapolis, and other cities of the west.

## Christmas Gifts.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Alfred 4. Whitmore, Hammon, N. J., and Carrie Beale, Washington; Esburt Quarles and

Emma Richards, Westmoreland county, Va.; James H. Shewell, Birmingham, D. C., and Mrs. E. Parker, Princeton, county, Va.; Andrew E. Day, Little Nichols, James White and Lucy Stanton, Charles Norris and Mary E. Jones, Richard Summers and Mrs. Jane B. Laurie, Forest Streets and Annie Smith, all of this city.

## THE COMMISSIONERS.

**Current Transactions at the Various District Offices.**

The new Twelfth-street station house will be occupied on Thursday night. Some of the furniture has already been put in and the balance will be there tomorrow and next day.

The annual water rents will be due January 1, 1883, and the law requires payment within thirty days, otherwise the flow of water will be stopped and a penalty of \$2 imposed before it can be restored. The law in question is mandatory and admits of no discretion.

The REPUBLICAN Saturday published the correspondence between Comptroller Lawrence and the district commissioners in reference to the proposed legislation to regulate the collection of taxes in the District of Columbia.

It is alleged that the illegal allowances have been made to forty-five employees, the amounts ranging from \$3 to \$14,124. The aggregate charge to the different administrations of the commissioners is as follows: Under Commissioner Phelps, Dens and Twining, \$7,221,00; under Dent, Morgan and Lydecker, \$6,515,00; under West, Morgan and Lydecker, \$6,025,00. It is expected that an adjustment will be reached in time for the January payment.

## WEST WASHINGTON.

About 11 o'clock on Saturday night John Armes, a burly negro, entered the residence of Eliza Green, also colored, on Jefferson avenue, and assaulted her in a most violent manner, knocking her down twice, and finally pulling her down the steps, and as she lay on her back, jumped upon her, stamping her with both feet. Dr. A. B. Shiekh pronounced her injuries to be very serious, and directed that she be confined to bed for several days.

Armes was arrested last night by Officers Bent and Burrows, and locked up at the station.

Only six arrests for drunkenness were made by the officers of the third precinct for Saturday and Sunday. This speaks well for the work of the temperance societies in this place.

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